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Amendment filed 1/27/06 is not fully responsive to the office action mailed 10/27/05 because the substantial amendment to claim 7 (hence to all elected claims 7-9, 14 and 16) are not fully disclosed in the Species 1 (Figure 7) elected in Response filed 10/18/05 to Restriction/Election Requirement mailed 9/20/05. In particular, the newly added limitation that the shielding layer is formed to be one of in (sic) a unitary structure including the luminescent layer and on the unitary structure including the luminescent layer" is not disclosed in said Species 1. No "unitary structure" as such has been either suggested or described in the specification with regard to Species 1, and even when interpreted to mean "monolithic", while "monolithic" with regard to luminescent layer and shielding layer would be proper for the description of the structure of Figure 7, the implied alternative of a shielding layer on the unitary structure as alternative to the shielding layer in said unitary structure has not been disclosed in the elected Species 1 (Figure 7).

Because the above-mentioned Amendment appears bona fide, Applicant is given ONE(1) MONTH OR THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this Notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. This shortened statutory period of reply supersedes the time period set in the prior office action. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a).

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